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LIFT THE ISSUE.

The next Presidential campaign ought to be fought upon principles, for a purpose. What do political parties seek power for? Surely for something more important than the possession of the offices.
The Democratic party should go into this campaign committed by acts, as well as words, to tariff reform, to civil-service reform, to public land reform, to ring-breaking and monopoly-fighting.
With such a platform, and a record to show its sincerity, the party would be both right and irresistible. The advantage is already largely on its side.
Let the party seek power for the public good and it will deserve to win, and win.

GRAPPLING THE GIANT.

A vigorous effort will be begun to-day before the Interstate Commission at Washington to bring the Standard Oil monopoly to account. Twelve Southern railroads are summoned to answer the charges of gross freight discriminations in its favor.
This investigation should lead to the overthrow of the unscrupulous oil monopoly. It has no legal existence. It maintains itself in a perversion and practical defiance of the laws regulating corporations.
The people must grapple sooner or later with the trust system. The Standard Oil Trust is the origin, head and front of the offending. The other trusts are merely imitating its bad example.
Why not push things in the courts and legislatures this winter, and settle forever the question of mastery between the trusts and the people?

"A GOOD READY."

All over the country, and especially in New England, the prudent housewives are getting "a good ready" for the Thanksgiving festival on Thursday.
But there is one preparation that is quite as important as the concocting of substantial and dainties for the feast. It is the forethought and generosity that will make someone else thankful on the day of gratitude who might otherwise have scant provision for joining in the general good cheer.
Let the "good ready" for Thanksgiving include a remembrance of the poor.

A COSTLY EXPERIMENT.

After interminable pother and bother it appears that the Subway Commission has constructed nearly ten miles of underground conduits at an outlay of \$2,000,000.
Yet this brilliant Commission has not determined whether the wire conduits should be insulated! This would seem to be the A.B.C. of electrical subway science.
A large proportion of the conduits constructed are not insulated, and in the opinion of many experts their usefulness will be seriously impaired, if not destroyed, by this fact.
At this late day the Commissioners are experimenting to learn what they should have ascertained at the outset. A little less personal squabbling in the Electrical Board and a little more horse sense in the method of procedure might prevent the re-ripping of the streets and insure the success of this much-needed improvement.

THE CRISIS IN FRANCE.

With the Cabinet out and President Grévy refusing to follow its example, the situation in France grows critical.
The Government has a head, but no body. M. Grévy's cool assertion that he can make another Cabinet will at once be tested.
It would be a turn in the kaleidoscope for which even France can furnish no parallel. If the new Cabinet formed for the recalcitrant President should ask for his own resignation. Meanwhile, the "man on horseback" is nowhere in sight.
A persistent optimist.
Senator EVARTS wears none but rose-colored glasses in looking upon political events. Defeat or success for the party is therefore "all the same" to him.
This persistent optimist admits that the Prohibition vote in New York is constantly growing and "will be larger next year than this." He concedes that a large part of the Labor vote "went back to the Democrats." And yet he "does not hesitate to predict a Republican victory in this State in the national contest."
What a comforting prophet Mr. EVARTS would have been to the contemporaries of

NOAH! To always have a strawberry-tinted hue at one's command is a good part of the philosophy of life. If Mr. EVARTS shall be weak, he will beam benignly upon the wreck of matter and the crash of worlds.

ANARCHIST LOGIC.

The sentence to six months in the Work-house of KENNET, the Anarchist who armed himself in obedience to JOHANN MOST's advice and threatened to shoot a World reporter, ought to be a lesson in logic to these fellows.
Howling for "freedom of speech" for themselves, they threaten to shoot other people for exercising it. Claiming, and in Chicago exercising, the right to kill officers of the law, they assume the rôle of martyrs when the law gives them a dose of their own medicine. Protesting against the right of society to enact any laws for its own protection, they are the first to clamor for the safeguards of the statutes.
It is well occasionally for the engineer to be "hoist with his own petar."

AN OLD STORY.

The sinking of the Scholten is but the repetition of an old story.
The familiar features were all there: Running incautiously in a fog, a failure on one of the vessels to display proper lights, a crash in the dark, terror among passengers and no discipline for the crew, useless life-boats, acts of heroism, marvellous escapes, a long death list.
Will it be the usual verdict of "nobody to blame?"

THE TELEPHONE MONOPOLY.

A royalty of \$14 on each 90-cent instrument. Over \$50,000 in use. That is what pays the big dividends on the Bell Telephone Company's \$100,000,000 of watered stock.
A patent validated with fraud. A broad specification, almost unprecedented in the history of patents, maintained in the courts by an army of sharp-witted lawyers. That is the basis of the monopoly.
A block in the way of inventive progress. Buying all improvements only to smother them. Crowding out all competition. That is its policy.
Is it strange that the American public would hail with delight the overthrow of this greedy monopoly?

PHENIX T. BARNUM.

BARNUM received another call from his old acquaintance, the fire fiend. The conflagration that made Bridgeport a scene of terror last night is but a repetition of the disasters that have periodically overtaken the veteran showman.
But BARNUM heretofore has found himself a very enterprising Phoenix. That his wings still retain the vigor to rise triumphantly over the ashes is the unanimous hope of young America.
Simultaneously with the news of the fire comes the announcement that his agents are already planning for new structures.
Call him PHENIX T. BARNUM.

Editor GRADY, of the Atlanta Constitution,

is making ringing prohibition speeches. His partner, Mr. HOWELL, is simply tearing the English language to shreds in his anti-prohibition harangues. With the partners balanced against each other, the Constitution, of course, stands for 'half and 'alf.
The latest changes in the rules of the Civil-Service Commission are all in the direction of a stricter enforcement of the non-partisan spirit of the law. Those whom the President calls "incorrigible spoliemen" may kick, but the people will approve.

The Democrats have a majority of fifteen

over the Republicans in the House of Representatives, with four Independents liable to vote either way. If they want to increase the majority in the next House, let them reduce the taxes in this one.
There is no more useful and necessary benevolence in this city than that directed by the Diet Kitchen. To supply suitable food to the sick poor is its mission. The fair for its benefit, now open, deserves a generous support.
Secretary WHITNEY's reported determination to "send the Atlanta to sea in the first heavy steamer" will place a weighty responsibility upon him. And yet if cruisers cannot cruise in any sort of weather what are they here for?

Mr. POWDERLY's appeal for aid for the suffering miners whom the protected coal barons are trying to starve into acceptance of pauper wages should meet with a prompt and generous response.

The younger DICKENS pronounces against the American car-stove. If this is a fair sample of his American Notes, he need have no hesitation about publishing them.

A "stuffed human being" is a curiosity in the natural history museum at Vienna. There will be at least 20,000,000 of them in this country next Thursday.

A remarkable case is reported from El Paso of a man living with his heart open. That is a very good way for everybody to live at this season, in a figurative sense.

All the circus luggage and paraphernalia was consumed at Bridgeport, but several elephants escaped with their trunks.

A condemned murderer in British Columbia smoked a cigarette on the scaffold Saturday. Of course, he was not reproved.

The British lion will not kill Mr. O'BRIEN. It is only lying in wait to capture his new trousers.

The ounce of preparation for the London riot rendered unnecessary the pound of cure.

Poor Prince WILLIAM! Two more doctors!

FARMER-GIRL VS. SHOP-GIRL.

WIVES AND DAUGHTERS IN THE COUNTRY HEAP BURDENS ON THE CITY'S POOR.

Packages of Sewing-Work Sent Daily to Country Agents and Distributed to Industrious Women Who Want to Earn Pin-Money—Market Wagons in Paterson Load Up at the Shirt Factories.

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 21.—It is doubtful if poor sewing-girls and women working for starvation wages in the great cities know how the wives and daughters of prosperous farmers keep down their earnings.

The following facts have come to the knowledge of a World reporter during years of observation as a news-gatherer in Northern New Jersey. Factories in New York, Brooklyn and Jersey City have had for a long time agents in different parts of Passaic and Bergen counties, N. J., and in Rockland County, N. Y. These agents receive every day large packages of work cut out in pieces ready to be sewed together. They are distributed among country people by means of horses and wagons for several miles in every direction. For this work the agents receive a commission which seems to be ample to support them without other labor. Some of these middlemen have been caught charging the country women for the thread which was supplied by the New York shops.
The prices paid in the country are about on the same scale as those paid in the cities. The sewing-girls in the cities are the sewing-girls in the country. The sewing-girls in the cities are the sewing-girls in the country. The sewing-girls in the cities are the sewing-girls in the country.

The sewing-women in the cities are slaving for bread. The farmers' girls in the country are slaving for pin-money. It gives the girls a new gown or a bonnet, and enables the wife to get a new carpet for the parlor or a new piece of furniture. The World reporter has been the rounds with some of these country agents, and in very few cases is the sewing given to women compelled to earn their own living.
A young woman soon to be married showed the reporter a bank account of money earned in this way sufficient to buy her wedding clothes and furnish her parlor nicely. Another woman exhibited a new dress, of the material, which she said she had paid for with a commission of the sewing. She had a jacket and cloth suits for children seemed to be the work principally sent out to the country women.

The business has grown to such proportions of late, that several companies who used to manufacture shirts in New York City have removed their factories to Paterson, where their goods are called for by the farmers who they are in the city to attend the market. Any market day a large number of farm wagons may be seen in front of these factories, with country people carrying into the city to be sewed. The sewing-girls in the cities are the sewing-girls in the country. The sewing-girls in the cities are the sewing-girls in the country.

When spoken to by The World reporter many of the country women, who thought they were being deceived, expressed regret and sympathy for their more unfortunate competitors, and spoke in such a manner as to warrant the belief that if the subject were properly explained to them they would cease the competition which adds to the labor and hardships of those in whom they are naturally interested and whom they should rather assist than compete against.

WORLDLINGS.

Three and one-half tons of diamonds, valued at \$100,000, have been taken from the famous Kimpri mine since its discovery in 1871.

The doctors of Paris now prescribe oyster juice as the most fortifying aliment that war constitution, degenerated with every other kind of food, can take.

A Nashville undertaker is authority for the statement that, in accordance with the dying request of a lady buried in that city recently, her new bonnet was interred with her.

"Nat" Jones, the Chicago speculator whose name is frequently connected with heavy operations in Wall street, was a clerk in a Chicago grain house a few years ago.

The Iowa Supreme Court, in the case of Bennett vs. Hall, has decided that a barber may refuse to shave any customer, and that in so refusing he need not allege a reason.

The marble slabs which form the roof of Girard College, in Philadelphia, were burned into lime through the action of the sulphurous smoke of the anthracite coal burned in the building.

In a recent interview Mrs. Storey, widow of the Chicago editor, told a reporter that for ten years she accompanied her husband daily to the Times office and assisted him in his work there, missing only two days in all that time.

A thoughtful citizen of Geneva, Minn., alleges that when the lake there froze over the other night it congealed so quickly that many wild geese were frozen fast, and on the next day boys skated over the lake and killed thirty-four of them.

The Archbishop of Munich, Bavaria, has protested against the performance of Zoellner's "Faust" at the theatre there. The reason of his objection is that the archbishop is introduced in the prologue as acting and talking in the presence of God.

The owner of a fish pond near St. Paul has made a pet of one of the largest fish in it—a trout, which appears at the surface of the water at his call, eats from his hand and when particularly pleased dips up into the air with every manifestation of joy.

Capt. Pariah's horse, at Durham, N. C., kicked off a shoe while standing in its stall, and breaking the halter trotted over to the blacksmith's for a new one. The smith divined what the horse wanted and shod it, whereupon it walked quietly back to the stable.

The red man's last acquiring the arts of civilization was a little boy named George, at Centerville, Ore., last week, in which three Indians took part, Pater, Jim, a noble chief, was accused of concealing an ace in his sleeve. He resented the insinuation and stabbed his two companions fatally.

While C. B. Lewis ("M. Quad"), of the Detroit Free Press, was visiting in Enfield, Ala., last week, a hot-blooded Southerner, whose communication Lewis had ridiculed several years ago, walked into town from the country, a distance of fourteen miles, for the express purpose of licking the humorist. He was arrested while carrying out his purpose and fined.

On the Hotel Registers.
Gen. F. A. Starring, of Washington, is at the Grand Union Hotel.
John H. Holmes, of the Boston Herald, is a guest at the Everett.
Thomas Motley, Jr., of Boston, is registered at the Brunswick.
Among others arrived at the Grand Union is Lowell Allison, of Boston.

The Rev. Dr. G. H. Walsh, of Philadelphia, arrived at the Victoria yesterday.
Frank Rockefeller, of the Standard Oil Company, Cleveland, is at St. James Hotel.
J. A. Olaveria, the Venezuelan Minister to Washington, is at the Clarendon.

Gen. Joseph B. Anderson, of the Frederic Iron Works, Richmond, Va., is at the Murray Hill Hotel.
State Senator Theodore C. Bates, of Worcester, Mass., arrived at the Fifth Avenue Hotel this morning.
At the Albemarle are Sir Claude G. de Crespigny and C. Wyndham-Gunn and H. G. Fox, English cattle king from Chesham.

John E. Dudley Ryder, of London, one of the directors of the Cunard Steamship Company, arrived at the Albemarle yesterday.
Dr. Montrose A. Pallen arrived from a six months' European trip yesterday. He has taken up his quarters at the Albemarle.
At the Windsor are John Chadwick, Treasurer of the Westinghouse Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh, and Hugh McKim, of the Michigan Car Company.

HUNTING FOR STOLEN JEWELS.

Detectives Trying to Earn the Reward Offered by Matthew Morgan.

The detectives of the Central Office and of the East Thirty-fifth street station are vying with each other in their efforts to obtain the \$1,000 reward offered by Matthew Morgan for the recovery of the jewels stolen from his wife's dressing table at 294 Lexington Avenue.

The gems were set in rings, bracelets, necklaces and studs, and Mr. Morgan says their aggregate cost at Tiffany's was \$15,000 to \$17,000. One of the articles, a rich necklace of diamonds and rubies, was a wedding present to Mrs. Morgan. The whole were placed in a small, plain, velvet-lined box with blue satin, with a patent lock, and the box was kept in the top drawer of the dressing-table.

The box and its contents were last seen by Mrs. Morgan at 10 o'clock Saturday morning when she replaced in the box several articles which she had worn at the theatre the previous night. The robbery was most probably committed some time during the day or evening, as Mr. and Mrs. Morgan slept in the room that night, and the theft was discovered in the forenoon of yesterday.

Mr. Morgan said this morning that he was no nearer the recovery of the jewels than when he first notified the police. He does not suspect any one of his three servants, who have been with the family many years, but he is sure that a sneak thief got admission by the basement door and made his way upstairs. I expect that he is holding the articles for the reward, and that my wife will soon have them back.

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MINERS SUSPECTED OF ARSON.

COAL BARONS PLACE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR BURNED BREAKERS ON STRIKERS.

Talk of Appealing to Gov. Beaver for Protection Because the Sheriff Refused It—No Prospect of a Settlement, Though the Miners are Desperate—Mr. Powderly's Striking Appeal for Relief.

HAZLETON, Pa., Nov. 21.—The coal barons are trying to show that the starving miners on strike are responsible for the two coal breakers burned last Saturday night and a loss of property aggregating nearly \$150,000. The operators indulged in a good deal of wild talk yesterday, and had much to say about appealing to Gov. Beaver for protection. The Sheriff of the county was asked for protection, but he could not see the slightest ground for the accusation of incendiarism, and he refused to appoint special deputies.

The striking miners deplore the fire, and were indignant over even an imputation that they should be charged with causing them. They are determined to make good of any kind, knowing well that if they were the cause of any breach of the peace the operators would take advantage of it and swear in more Coal and Iron Police, who are a terror to the strikers.

After a lookout of eight weeks the strikers are found in a very destitute condition. It is true the idle men have received general support from the Knights of Labor and their friends, but it has proved entirely inadequate, for for every dollar received for relief \$15 have been lost in wages. The end seems to be in sight, but the miners are determined to hold out, and the operators are determined to adhere to the strike.

HAZLETON, Pa., Nov. 21.—Mr. Powderly has received scores of telegrams to-day thanking him for issuing the following circular in behalf of the striking miners in the coal regions:

For the first time during my official career I feel called upon to go before the order, and all I feel of fair play, whether in or out of the order, for the purpose of making a personal appeal to the miners and coal owners of Pennsylvania. The appeal is made, but I give only a faint coloring to the real state of affairs in the coal regions. We read of the heart-rending scenes of starvation and misery across the country. None of these scenes can be the acts of cruelty that are practiced every day in the coal regions.

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BOOKS BOUGHT BY BIG MEN.

Literature That Thinkers of the Country are Fond of Reading.

[Washington Correspondence Chicago Inter Ocean.]
A number of statesmen devote their leisure to French fiction. Robert Lincoln gets a fresh load of French books every time he comes to Washington. He likes the better class of French stories, and does not affect the tales of Zola or other authors who do not deal in questionable subjects. Another man who is fond of fine editions is Col. John Hay, Lincoln's biographer. But buys a great many French and German books, and he never buys anything which is not in good binding. He thinks nothing of paying \$50 for a fine illustrated volume, and as he is a millionaire he can afford to indulge himself in the purchase of books. John Hay's library is perhaps the most beautiful I have seen in Washington.

Senator Walcott has learned to know his peculiarities in this respect and the clerks have orders to let him browse around for himself. He will come into the store, look at the books, and then he will pick them up one after another and glance rapidly through them. The chances are that he will buy a book or two, and he will buy a book or two, and he will buy a book or two.

Justice Gray is another reader of French novels, and he devours them at the rate of from six to ten a week. He has a collection of French novels, and he devours them at the rate of from six to ten a week. He has a collection of French novels, and he devours them at the rate of from six to ten a week.

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